

### **Notice of RM-11727 Ex-Parte Presentation**

On Tuesday, March 6, 2018, between 10:45 AM and 5:00 PM, Matthew Wesolowski of SSR Communications, Inc., Michelle Bradley of REC Networks, Carl Haynes of Commander Communications, Ron Stone of Adams Radio, Damon Collins of Blackbelt Broadcasting, Inc., and Alex Snipe of Glory Communications, Inc., met in person with James Bradshaw, Christine Goepp, and Rodolfo Bonacci of the Audio Division of the Media Bureau, as well as Kate Black of Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel's office, David Grossman of Commissioner Mignon Clyburn's office, Evan Swarztrauber of Commissioner Brendan Carr's office, Brooke Ericson of Commissioner Michael O'Rielly's office, and Matthew Berry of Chairman Ajit Pai's office.

The collective parties made unscripted verbal accounts of the conditions of their own station(s) and how the pending RM-11727 FM Class C4 / 73.215 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) would positively affect their operations. Specifically, the proposed FM Class C4 allotment option and 73.215 revisions would allow the collective parties (as well as many other licensees not in attendance) to increase their FM Class A facilities without consuming any previously-occupied spectrum. Additionally, Wesolowski and Bradley presented their independent and separate study findings on how the implementation of the NPRM would affect Low Power FM (LPFM) stations and FM translator facilities. Both studies concluded that the impact to LPFM stations would be largely insignificant, with Wesolowski's study further concluding that the effect upon FM translators would not only be negligible, but that engineering remedies existed in each of the handful of cases where a possible conflict could arise. The collective parties encouraged the Commission to verify independently its results and conclusions on all claims and stressed that any future applications using the provisions of RM-11727 would be subject to the same Commission scrutiny to which all other current licensees must adhere.

The collective parties asked that the Commissioners consider voting affirmatively on the release of the RM-11727 NPRM and welcomed the opportunity to further support the proposal once a public record could be formally established via the NPRM comment period.

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